

REMARKS

The examiner allowed claims 1-34 and rejected claims 35, 37, 38, 39, 41, 42, 44, 45 and 47. Since the examiner found additional allowable subject matter beyond claims 1-34, the examiner merely objected to claims 36, 40, 43 and 46 but stated that these claims would be allowed if rewritten in independent form with the limitations of the base claims

Applicant has canceled claims 35 and 42. Applicant has also rewritten claims 36, 40, 43 and 46 in independent form with the limitations of the base claims.

Rather than cancel rejected claims 37, 38, 39, 41, 42, 44, 45 and 47, Applicant has amended some of them so as to be dependent on the revised claims. For example, claim 37 has been amended to be dependent on claim 36 as rewritten rather than on rejected claim 35. Therefore, claim 38, which is dependent on claim 37, which in turn is dependent on claim 36 (and no longer claim 35) has been left alone and should now be allowable. Similarly, claims 39, 40 and 41 have each been amended to be dependent on claim 36 as rewritten rather than on rejected claim 35.

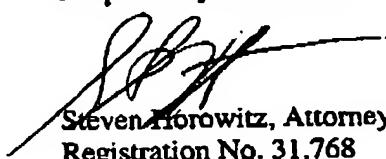
Similarly, since claim 42 has been canceled and claim 43 has been rewritten, claims 44, 46 and 47 have each been amended to be dependent on claim 43 rather than on rejected claim 42. Finally, claim 45 has been left alone since it is dependent on claim 44 which in turn is now dependent on claim 43 (not claim 42) so claim 45 should now be allowable.

Thus the instant amendment is understood to place the claims 1 through 34, 36-41, and 43-47 in condition for allowance and it is respectfully requested that the

amendment be entered. It is therefore respectfully requested that the examiner allow claims 1-34, 36-41 and 43-47 as amended.

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